

attaching the second end of the graft to the second aperture in the second artery.

64. (New) The method of claim 63 wherein the first artery is the aorta.

65. (New) The method of claim 63 wherein the second end of the graft is attached by suturing.

66. (New) The method of claim 63 wherein deploying the stent comprises:

expanding the stent radially outwardly to lie against an interior wall of the first artery.

REMARKS

Applicant is submitting herewith additional claims to subject matter described and illustrated in the specification and drawings, and to which applicant believes he is entitled in view of the prior art.

Favorable action is solicited.

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